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Applicant: Jordan J.N. Tang and Arun K. Ghosh

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Examiner: D. Seaman

For: *PROTEASE INHIBITORS THAT OVERCOME DRUG RESISTANCE*

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on September 8, 2000, please consider the following remarks. Submitted with this Amendment and Response is a Petition for Extension of Time, along with the required fee for a small entity, to extend the period for response one month, to and including January 8, 2001.

It is believed that no additional fee is required with this submission. However, should an additional fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee to Deposit Account No. 01-2507.

**Remarks**

Claims 1-12 are pending.